

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 5129**

LCO No. 2806

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES BY
PHARMACISTS AND MEDICAL ASSISTANTS AND THE LISTING OF
CERTIFIED MEDICAL ASSISTANTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-633 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

3 (a) Any person licensed as a pharmacist under part II of this chapter
4 may administer [.] (1) to an adult, any vaccine [.] approved by the
5 United States Food and Drug Administration that is listed on the
6 National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Adult
7 Immunization Schedule; and (2) to any person at least twelve years of
8 age, any influenza vaccine approved by the United States Food and
9 Drug Administration, provided the administration of any such vaccine
10 is conducted pursuant to the order of a licensed health care provider
11 and in accordance with the regulations established pursuant to
12 subsection (b) of this section.

13 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, in consultation with
14 the Commissioner of Public Health and the Commission of Pharmacy,
15 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter
16 54, to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall
17 (1) require any pharmacist who administers a vaccine [to an adult]

18 pursuant to this section to successfully complete an immunization
19 training program for pharmacists; (2) define the basic requirements of
20 such training program, which shall include training and instruction in
21 pre-administration education and screening, vaccine storage and
22 handling, subcutaneous and intramuscular injections, recordkeeping,
23 vaccine safety, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, basic cardiac life
24 support and adverse event reporting; (3) identify qualifying training
25 programs, which are accredited by the National Centers for Disease
26 Control Prevention, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education
27 or other appropriate national accrediting body; and (4) establish a
28 system of control and reporting.

29 (c) For purposes of this section, "adult" means an individual who
30 has attained the age of eighteen years.

31 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2016*) (a) For purposes of this
32 section:

33 (1) "Direct supervision" means a licensed supervising physician,
34 physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse is physically
35 present in the location where the medical assistant is administering an
36 influenza vaccine; and

37 (2) "Medical assistant" means a person who (A) is certified by the
38 American Association of Medical Assistants, the American Medical
39 Technologists, the National Center for Competency Testing, the
40 National Healthcareer Association or other certification organizations
41 accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, and
42 (B) has graduated from a postsecondary medical assisting program
43 accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health
44 Education Programs, the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education
45 Schools, the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools
46 or the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges.

47 (b) A medical assistant may administer any influenza vaccine
48 approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration under
49 the direct supervision, control and responsibility of a physician

50 licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes or an advanced
51 practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the
52 general statutes, or under the direct supervision of a physician
53 assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes. Any
54 influenza vaccine administered by a medical assistant under this
55 section may only be administered at an outpatient clinic, a federally
56 qualified health center or the office of the supervising physician,
57 physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse.

58 (c) No medical assistant may administer an influenza vaccine until
59 such time as the supervising physician, advanced practice registered
60 nurse or physician assistant provides training and written instructions
61 to such medical assistant regarding the administration of vaccines.

62 Sec. 3. Section 19a-6f of the general statutes is repealed and the
63 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

64 On or before January 1, 2005, and annually thereafter, the
65 Commissioner of Public Health shall obtain from the American
66 Association of Medical Assistants, the American Medical
67 Technologists, the National Center for Competency Testing and the
68 National Healthcareer Association, a listing of all state residents
69 maintained on said [organization's registry] organizations' registries of
70 certified medical assistants. The commissioner shall make such listing
71 available for public inspection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	20-633
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	19a-6f